

Subject Roman silver coin of
Augustus Claudius Caesar

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President,
Metropolitan Museum of Arts,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Sir,

I take the liberty of offering a silver coin to the American National Museum. The respective coin, the photo picture of which increased $2\frac{1}{2}$ times, I herewith enclose, is of the Roman empire of the time of August Claudius Caesar.

I all price-lists I had had the opportunity to see I could not find a coin like that of mine. It is true, there can be found coins of the time of the Emperor Claudius, but without a crown; according to my suggestions the coin in question is to be of the year of His Triumvirate. If there are coins of similiar nature they can probably be counted by units.

I did not want to sell it to re-sellers and decided to apply to the Administration of the Museum with the proposition to buy it, should you find any interest in it. Please advise me on the price the Museum can offer me for it.

Should you presume that the coin offered is of no value for the Museum, I beg leave to apply to you with the kindest request to show it / I mean its photo picture / to some other numismatologists to whom it may be of some interest.

Begging your pardon for the trouble I make to you,

I remain, Dear Sir,

Yours very respectfully,

Pravosudovitch

3 ENCLOSURE :Photo-picture.

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June 7th, 1923

Mr. I. Pravosudovitch
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Dear Sir:

In reply to your favour of March 25th,
I would say that we are not interested in your
Roman coin. As a matter of fact, it has no
special value as it is not rare. I am return-
ing, herewith, the photographs which you sent.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW/E

P.S. Your letter was forwarded to us for atten-
tion from the Metropolitan Museum of Art.